

Remarks

Claims 8 and 9 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph as being indefinite. The claims have been amended such that now properly depend from claim 7.

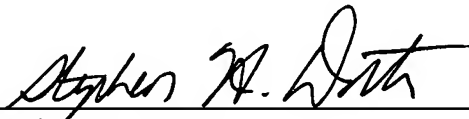
Withdrawal of the indefinite rejection is respectfully requested.

The claims also stand rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent Nos. 6,303,773; 6,162,909; and 6,673,918. Accordingly, Applicants submit herewith a properly executed terminal disclaimer to overcome the rejection.

Allowance of the claims and passage of the case to issue are respectfully solicited. Should the Examiner believe a discussion of this matter would be helpful, he is invited to telephone the undersigned at (312)-913-0001.

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